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Hey Burt -- thanks for the clarification. I assume TRVs will be on the agenda tomorrow. I'm hoping we can begin to get a handle on the specifics of how and when data that fail the screen will be considered in the BERA. I understand that it may not be possible to answer all questions along these lines at this point in time but I'd gain some comfort in a brief discussion about it tomorrow if possible.

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Shephard.Burt@epamail.epa.gov wrote:

> The TRVs for the BERA are based on residue-effects data from the > literature, and thus are independent of the Round 3 or any other site > specific data that represents exposure to site contaminants.

The ecological risk assessment process for the Round 3 data is the same as that for Round 1 and 2 data. Round 3 data will be screened against the same screening level benchmarks used with the Rounds 1 and 2 data. Round 3 data that fails the screen will be evaluated in more detail during the BERA. If one or more chemicals from Round 3 tissues screen in using the screening level benchmarks for which we've not derived BERA tissue TRVs, those additional chemical TRVs will have to be derived before additional risk assessment of the Round 3 tissue data can be completed in the BERA.

> Best regards,

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"When the data changes, I change my mind. What do you do?" John Maynard Keynes

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> Hey Chip and Eric,

> Our comments on the first batch of TRVs are attached. Primarily focused on cadmium, which is the one we were really able to get to.

I suppose the other thing is I'm not real clear on how the R3 data are being or will be considered in the development of tissue TRVs. Perhaps we can discuss on the TCT?

> Thanks,

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